ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention is to provide a vibration wave driving apparatus for obtaining driving force in 3D direction. For achieving such purpose, a vibration wave driving apparatus comprises a vibration member having a shape line symmetrical with respect to two orthogonal axes, electro-mechanical energy conversion elements which can excite three different types of bending vibrations, in the vibration member, which displace in a direction perpendicular to the two axes, and a driven member which is brought into contact with driving portions of the vibration member and driven by vibrations excited in the vibration member.